



Van Arty Association and RUSI Van Members News Feb 27, 2018

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Upcoming events – Mark your calendars See attached posters for details.

| Feb 28 | NOABC Speaker Lunch. Speaker: - Alan Snowie |
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| Mar 02 | 15 Fd & Fraser Highlanders Whisky Tasting |
| Mar 07 | Canadian Club honours Luncheon |
| Mar 16 | Vancouver Welsh Men's Choir – ACT in Maple Ridge |
| Mar 17 | Vancouver Welsh Men's Choir – Christ Church Cathedral |
| Mar 18 | BCR St Patrick's Day Party |
| Apr 07 | BCR St Julien Dinner |
| Apr 18 | Seely Luncheon – Swartz Bay |
| May 26 | VAA Artillery Day Gun Camp |
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World War 2 – 1943

John Thompson Strategic analyst - quotes from his book "Spirit Over Steel"

Feb 28th: A group of Norwegian commandos dropped from England damage the Norwegian Hydro plant at Vermork which is being used to produce heavy water for the Germans. Manstein closes up to the Donets, cutting off a large body of Soviet troops from Southwest Front.

March 1943: The High Tide of the U-Boat

I don't recall any U-boatmen, certainly after 1942, who liked the war and were enthusiastic about it. I am talking about experienced people at the front, not headquarters staff or people in the training companies or the Propaganda Companies. Fatalistic is the only appropriate way to describe the mood of the crews of the front boats. It certainly was no longer any question of being or becoming victorious, but solely or somehow to survive, nothing more, nothing less. U-boat veteran Peter Hansen in a letter to Peter Padfield, author of War Beneath the Sea.

General: The nadir of the battle of the Atlantic, The Allies lose 693,400 tons of shipping, almost entirely to U-Boats while sinking only 15 submarines; but new support groups around escort carriers are being rapidly assembled. The RAF drops 8,000 tons of bombs on Germany, mostly on Berlin and Essen, while the USAAF is still dropping a small fraction of that on German port cities.

Mar 1st: The Soviets take Demyansk. The Chindits are making slow progress, largely because of their reliance on large clearings for supply drops.

Mar 2nd: US troops re-enter Sbeitla in Tunisia while the British and Germans spar to the north. A Japanese convoy of 8 transports and 8 destroyers (carrying 7,000 troops) is spotted en route from Rabaul to Lae; sundry Australian and American forces get ready to pounce and commence the Battle of the Bismarck Sea. An understrength platoon of 25 Guardsmen from the 78th Guards Infantry Regiment are holding the railway station at Taranovka when it becomes the focus of attention for a German counterattack with 35 tanks and armoured vehicles. But Lt Piotr Shironin and his men are guardsmen, tenacious and bold. When the battered Germans withdraw, leaving behind 16 knocked out vehicles and over 100 dead, only the badly wounded Shironin and five of his men are left and Taranovka station is still theirs. However, the platoon remains together in one respect... all 25 are named as Heroes of the Soviet Union together.

Mar 3rd: Much movement on the Steppes, as the Soviets (finally) capture Rzhev, and take Lgov to the west of Kursk; while Manstein has pushed the Soviets to the south back over the Donets. A Chindit force severs the Mandalay Myitkyina rail line. 15th Panzer and British forces at Medenine spar without result.

Mar 4th: The Battle of the Bismarck Sea is over, and the Japanese convoy has been savaged; all the transports and four IJN destroyers have been sunk; while 25 Japanese and five Allied aircraft have been downed. At least half the 7,000 troops have been killed – many strafed by Allied airmen while in the water. Montgomery gets another division and an armoured brigade on the Mareth Line, along with an issue of brand new 17 pounder antitank guns; 10th and 21st Panzer are spotted moving up opposite the 8th Army. The Soviets are still pushing around Rzhev and Kursk, but Manstein is pointing 4th Panzer Army and the SS Panzer Korps in the direction of Kharkov.

Mar 5th: Oboe Radar sets are used for the first time in an RAF raid on Essen by 443 bombers.

Mar 6th: The first of 43 British bomber raids is made on the Ruhr; this nights' raid saw 443 bombers go out and 429 come back. The Germans mount a surprisingly inept tank attack at Medenine in Tunisia and British/NZ gunners pick off 50 of Rommel's dwindling tank inventory. A US cruiser force sinks two Japanese destroyers in the Solomons. Roosevelt appoints a high-power committee to look into the manpower problem being experienced by US industry.

The War Diary of C31 L/Sgt Charles D Phelan, A Battery, RCHA 1939 - 1945

Edited by BGen (ret'd) Robert P (Bob) Beaudry CD

Chapter 49. Move to England, Leave, Voyage to Canada, Home and Discharge

- <u>25 -26 Aug</u>, <u>1945</u>. We were loaded onto Service Corps trucks and taken to 4 Cdn Base Rfn Bn, near Nijmegen. Living quarters were in a tent and Nissan hut large camp. Quiet the next day.
- <u>27 -29 Aug.</u> We had Muster parade, Pay Parade, and "Free from Infection" inspections. At 1815 hrs we marched to the station and boarded the train bound for Ostend, arriving at 0500 hrs on the 28th. Our quarters were a former German Barracks. Waiting for the next move.
- <u>30 -31 Aug.</u> At 1330 hrs we marched to the dock where we embarked on a fairly large ferry. We made good time and disembarked at Dover. We went to the nearby rail station and pulled out, disembarking at 0200 hrs on the 31st. We got into waiting trucks and were taken to Aldershot and into Warburgh Barracks. After being allotted rooms and having a hot breakfast, the colonel in charge of our wing told us that after documentation we would go on 10 days leave, and then after three more days we would go to the Port of Embarkation. We could be delayed, or we could be called back early. That sounded pretty good to us! We got advances from the paymaster, had a Muster parade, applied for the medals due us, gave addresses of where we could be reached while on leave, turned in surplus kit, and to our disgust, we were issued with two suits of winter underwear.
- <u>1 -2 Sep.</u> We were able to ship one kitbag of up to 75 lbs to our depot, so repacked all my kit.
- <u>3 Sep.</u> Finally left on leave. A special train had been laid on to get the 900 of us to London. Fred Saunders, Staff Townsend and I booked in at the Lexham Gardens YMCA. We ate at the Beaver Club, and walked around. London is sure different now that the lights are on again!
- <u>3 -5 Sep.</u> I slept in every day, went to lots of shows, and had most meals at the Beaver Club.
- 6 Sep. Sixth anniversary of the day I enlisted, and here I am in London!
- <u>7 9 Sep</u>. I visited two more photo studios, but didn't learn much that would be useful to me. Went to Hyde Park to heckle the speakers, and saw three shows. At loose ends during the days now that we're heading back I guess I'm getting a bit homesick. A queer life, this but the only one I have! On Sunday I went to High Mass at Westminster Cathedral. How impressive that was!
- 10 12 Sep. Slept till noon and saw two or three shows every day. In talking to a few others on repatriation leave, I am not the only one who's marking time and feeling the leave is just so much lost time. Will I be glad to get underway!

- **13 Sep.** I took in a double feature, then went for a stroll to say "Goodbye, Piccadilly, and So Long Trafalgar Square", before boarding a train back to Aldershot.
- <u>14 -16 Sep.</u> Mounted as Orderly Sgt at 0800 hrs on the 14th. Suddenly it was announced that those wanting a 48-hour pass could have them. So some of us went back to London just to get away from the barracks. On the 15th at noon there was a fly-past of 300 aircraft in perfect formation, to commemorate the Battle of Britain. In Trafalgar Square there was a huge collection of our own and enemy equipment on display. I returned to camp early on the 16th.
- <u>17 Sep.</u> Muster parade in the morning, then in the afternoon we had to attend a 3-hour movie, consisting of rehabilitation films and the like pretty boring, as it dealt mostly with farming.
- <u>18 21 Sep.</u> Our move was postponed again. Not much doing other than Muster parades every day. At Pay Parade we received a cheque, negotiable only in Canada, for \$100.00. Seemed queer to have Canadian money again. Starting to see movies I have seen before.
- **22 Sep.** After a morning Muster Parade and another at 1635 hrs, we finally moved off in trucks to the train station in Farnborough. The train left at 1830 hrs and at the docks in Southampton we immediately embarked on the *Neiuw Amsterdam*. We were amongst the first to embark, and so got pretty fair accommodation a cabin on Main Deck, with an adjoining shower, toilet, and sink.
- **23 Sep**. Details were handed out, and I got one of the guards, pacing a beat! I was on duty at 1700 hrs for a 3-hour shift, and as my beat was beside a staircase, crowded by unemployed gunners, I took quite a ribbing.
- **24 Sep.** The food aboard was good, but only two meals a day. There are 8000 aboard, including all ranks, so its no picnic. The last line was cast off at 1245 hrs, and as a band on the dock played "Auld Lang Syne" and "O Canada", we got underway. The pipes and drums of the 48th Highlanders gave a short concert on deck as we cleared the harbor. We had lifeboat drill in the afternoon.
- **25 -28 Sep.** I had regular 3-hour guard shifts, but had nothing startling to report. There were numerous crap and other games going on, despite orders against gambling of any kind. The trip is getting quite monotonous. The sea varies from calm to choppy, and was quite rough one night. It is really sinking in that we are on our way home. There is great speculation as just when we will dock, and who will be first off the ship. We were given telegraph forms to be sent to the next of kin, free of charge. The choices were: "Arrived safely. Expect to be home soon", or "Arrived safely. Proceeding to hospital. Will communicate from there". I was glad to send the first choice.

<u>29 Sep.</u> Everyone is pretty excited by the prospects of landing today. It was very misty and visibility was down to about one mile. Then a pilot boat came and began to edge us into Halifax harbor.

Several motorboats loaded with waving people began to circle around, and a fireboat, spouting numerous streams of water, was another welcoming sight. The harbor broke into a loud medley of horns and whistles. The Minister of Health and Welfare, The Hon Brooke Claxton, gave an address over the public address system, welcoming 1 Cdn Div home, but nobody paid much attention. Unloading began at about 1500 hrs. A phone line was run on board for the use of the ship's officials, but before they got the phone into the office a small group snagged onto it and sent long-distance calls all over the country. I got my short call through, and it was a great thrill to hear the voices of the folks. I disembarked at 2330 hrs.

<u>30 Sep</u>. Shortly after midnight we marched to a train made up of Pullman cars. A and B Btys, as well as some Ottawa-bound serials, were on the same train. The Red Cross was handing out doughnuts, coffee, fruit, and cigarettes. We had breakfast at 0700 hrs. The fall scenery during the day was wonderful, and the country seemed brighter and prettier than any I've seen. At Moncton and Campbellton we were greeted by large crowds, and the Red Cross and Cdn Legion were on hand at both places.

<u>1 Oct.</u> Some of us got off at Montreal at 0400 hrs. The Legion was on hand, and gave us doughnuts, etc, and bananas – the first we'd seen in six years. We had breakfast and impatiently and vocally crossed off the stations left between us and home. At 0900 hrs we pulled into Kingston. A crowd of several hundred was waiting, and they broke into "O Canada" as the train came to a stop. We were soon loaded onto waiting trucks and driven to the Armoury. We got off a block from the Armoury and marched past the crowd into the building, where our families were waiting. We were quickly broken off and found our folks. All my family was there to meet me and it was a wonderful experience to see them. We had half an hour, after which we fell in and marched out to Princess Street. Here, A and B Btys, 3 Med Bty, and a large number of veterans fell in behind a band. Lt Gen Constantine took the salute. In the pouring rain, we were soon soaked to the skin. There were a number of disgusted soldiers in that parade, as we passed numerous zombies wearing raincoats, with which we had never been issued overseas. But none were more disgusted than BSM Archie Spooner and myself. We were the only two original A Bty men who had served continually without a leave to Canada. I skipped the chicken dinner and beer party and went home to Mom's swell dinner.

<u>2-31 Oct</u>. The month was occupied by visiting old friends and becoming acquainted with the changed city.

<u>1 -2 Nov</u>. I reported in at Fort Frontenac and was soon started on the last lap of my military career. We were given a list of the offices to which we had to report. I started with a brief medical and dental inspection, which included a certificate granting us free dental treatment valid for three months. A visit to the Padre and the Educational Officer followed. At the QM

we got a list of the items we were to turn in, but a signed statement that missing items had been "lost overseas" fixed everything. I received a complete medical check-over. My last stop was to the Army Counselling Officer, who was available with advice about rehabilitation.

<u>3 Nov</u>. I started on my last lap. We got ID cards and Unemployment Insurance applications. Next we went to the Discharge Office, signed dozens of papers, handed in our Cdn Army ID cards, and left that office without any papers. Next was the Paymaster. I was paid \$181.00. Then we went back to the Discharge Office, where we were greeted by a lieutenant. One by one we were handed a discharge button and an envelope with our discharge papers. The Looie shook each man's hand and wished him "Good Luck". Dead at noon, I walked out of the barracks – a free man. A few days later I received a statement of my War Service Gratuity. I was to get monthly payments till a total of \$1379.04 had been paid. I could also claim a Reestablishment Credit of \$1083.75 for starting a business, buying a home, etc. So here I was again a civilian. I had served six years and two months, all except five months of that overseas. I had seen most of the United Kingdom, fought in Sicily, Italy, France, Germany, Belgium and Holland. I had served and travelled under wartime conditions and had never been wounded. I had seen the best and the worst brought out by my buddies in monotonous periods of waiting and in the heat of battle. I had seen men die, violently and in pain. I had seen others, including myself, escape death by miracles. I had seen the Allies on the brink of defeat and had seen the gradual turn of the tide, till we reached the mighty force which swept the Nazis and Fascists to defeat.

The atomic bomb which brought the war in the Pacific to a successful end ushered in what will probably be a new and radically different type of warfare. There appears to be no end to the destructive power of man, and one wonders if he will succeed in eliminating himself from the face of the earth. Now that it is all over and I am safely back home, sound in body and mind, (I think), I have only one thing to say – I'm glad that I went, when and as I did, but thank the Good Lord that I'm back. Let us hope and pray that there will not be an atomic war in the future and that this war did indeed make the world "safe for democracy".

Artifacts Belonging to Lieutenant Barry Troy Returning to Canada

February 21, 2018

RCAF Public Affairs



Lieutenant William Thomas Barry Troy Canadian Virtual War Memorial

On September 22, 2017, following hurricanes in the Jacksonville, Florida, area, a parachute and accompanying items were retrieved from a beach near Naval Station Mayport, which is located near Jacksonville. These items were identified as belonging to Lieutenant William Thomas Barry Troy, a pilot with the Royal Canadian Navy who lost his life on

February 25, 1958, when his McDonnell F2H-3 Banshee fighter jet vanished in dense fog following takeoff from Mayport. Lieutenant Troy and the pilots of three other Canadian Banshees had been participating in joint exercises with the United States Navy at Mayport and were returning to Her Majesty's Canadian Ship Bonaventure. Lieutenant Troy's remains were never found.

On Monday, February 26, 2018, the artifacts were formally transferred to the care of the Royal Canadian Air Force at a brief ceremony at Naval Station Mayport. The event will also be an opportunity to thank the Jacksonville park ranger, Mr Zachary Johnson, who retrieved the items from the beach, and the Jacksonville police officer, Officer Nolan Kea, who has been safeguarding them. Lieutenant Troy's brother, Dick Troy and his wife, Pauline Troy, along with

senior military personnel from the United States and Canada, are also scheduled to participate. Following an event in Ottawa at a date yet to be announced, most of the artifacts will, in time, be displayed at the Aviation Museum at 12 Wing Shearwater, Nova Scotia. At the time of Lieutenant Troy's death, 12 Royal was a Canadian establishment and Lieutenant Troy's home base. All military aviation assets, missions, organizations, including and Shearwater, are now the responsibility of the Royal Canadian Air Force.



Canadas Deal on AWACS - Less Money and No RCAF Personnel

David Pugliese, Ottawa Citizen February 18, 2018



As Defence Watch reported last week, the Liberal government has reversed a 2011 decision that saw Canada withdraw from NATO's AWACS program. The Conservative government decided at that time to end participation in the airborne early warning plane program to save money. Canada's NATO allies were surprised and angered about the pullout. The Royal Canadian Air Force warned at the time that the decision could put overseas operations at risk. But that didn't appear to happen. Over the last several years, however, NATO has significantly

increased the use of its AWACS, including in areas like Central and Eastern Europe where Canada is leading a multinational NATO battlegroup based in Latvia.

Defence Minister Harjit Sajjan said NATO is a cornerstone of Canada's international security policy. "In that spirit, Canada has decided to rejoin NATO's Airborne Warning and Control

System," he said in a statement. "AWACS is a key NATO capability that we will support by contributing to its operations and support budget." The original shutdown of Canada's contribution to NATO's AWACS saved about \$50 million a year, according to the records obtained under the Access to Information law by Defence Watch.

But the return to AWACS will cost Canada less than half of what was being spent this time around. "The exact amount of Canada's contribution is still being decided, but is expected to be between \$17-20 million annually," said Department of National Defence spokesman Daniel Le Bouthillier. So why is that? "Canada rejoins AWAC at the entry level and not at the same remit as we had before," Le Bouthillier explained. "At the moment, this re-engagement is focused on funding NATO's AWACS operations, rather than personnel contributions. The potential for RCAF members to serve with the NATO Airborne Early Warning and Control Force will be explored at a later date."

Q&A on New VAC Financial Benefits, Including Pension for Life.

RUSI Vancouver is alerting members of this message from the Veterans Ombudsman:

I am excited to announce that I will be facilitating a question and answer session **Live on Facebook** on **March 13, 2018 at 6:00 p.m. ET (3:00 pm PT)** I have invited subject matter experts from Veterans Affairs Canada to come to my office and respond to questions on the new financial benefits, including Pension for Life. As members of the Veterans' community, you are invited to join the conversation and ask your questions on how these benefits will affect you and others you may know. I hope that this event will help all of us better understand the benefits available to Veterans and their families.

The question and answer session will be **Live on Facebook** @**CanadasVeteransOmbudsman.** We will be answering questions live as they come in, but we are also encouraging individuals to post their questions in advance on:

Facebook in English - https://www.facebook.com/VeteransOmbudsman/ or Facebook in French - https://www.facebook.com/OmbudsmanVeterans/.

I will be posting information about the Facebook Live event in the coming days and I invite you to share our posts and encourage your network to participate. This will increase our reach and help maximize participation on this important topic. I look forward to having you join our "live" question and answer session. Thank you in advance for your assistance in getting the word out!

Guy Parent

Veterans Ombudsman

RUSI Vancouver encourages members who are Veterans and are interested, to join in this Q & A Facebook discussion on March 13, 2018.

Vancouver Artillery Association Yearbook Updates

Another busy week on the Regimental website with the following updates.

Freedom of the City parade, Seaforth Centennial Ceilidh and 39 CBG Change of Command dinner. http://www.vancouvergunners.ca/2010.html

Checking the subterranean Stanley Park Fort http://www.vancouvergunners.ca/2005.html

St Barbara's Day 2005. http://www.vancouvergunners.ca/2005.html

St Cecilia 2004. http://www.vancouvergunners.ca/2004.html

Military Ball, Bell centre performance and the Reno St. Patrick's Day Parade. http://www.vancouvergunners.ca/2003.html

Naval Squadron VR-61 Islanders Change of Command.

http://www.vancouvergunners.ca/vr-61.html

Naval Squadron VR-57 Conquistadors Change of Command. http://www.vancouvergunners.ca/vr-57-parade.html

Yorke island expedition 1996. http://www.vancouvergunners.ca/1996.html

Keep those stories, calendar events and pictures coming! Contact Leon Jensen at president.vcrgunners@gmail.com

Who Is It

Last Week: This gun, a Rifled Breech Loader, 12 pdr, 7cwt, was the British Army's field gun,



which succeed the RML 13 pounder 8 cwt in 1885, was initially adopted by both the Royal Field Artillery and Royal Horse Artillery and was in full service by 1885. They entered Canadian service in 1897 and were used in the South African war and one of the Leliefontein Guns is on display at the Canadian War Museum. These guns marked a return to breech-loading guns, after the British Army

had reverted to muzzle-loaders in the late 1860s, following the failure of the Armstrong screw breech guns. Problems arose when it was used by the Horse Artillery in the great Indian cavalry manoeuvres of 1891. The carriage was found to be too complicated and dust caused the metal surfaces of the axle traversing device to seize. It also proved too heavy to manoeuvre for horse artillery, which was intended to support cavalry in battle. The 12 pounder 6 cwt gun was thus developed in 1892, when the new more powerful cordite replaced gunpowder, as a lighter alternative. It had a barrel 18 inches (460 mm) shorter, on a lighter and simpler carriage, and it entered service with the Royal Horse Artillery in 1894. The introduction of Cordite also led to the decision that the 12 pounder was capable of firing a heavier shell up to 15 lb (6.8 kg). A 14-pound shell was adopted, and the gun became a "15 pounder" from 1895. At that point the 12 pounder 7 cwt became redundant.

The author has been told many times that moustaches connected directly to the optic nerve and aided in determining the target distance. The last moustache sporting CO of the Regiment was Leon Jensen. If you haven't seen your moustachioed editor lately, he is now sporting a full beard.

This Week: As time flies by, we find that the vaults of the magnificent museum of the regiment are revealing fewer and fewer secrets. In addition, we are pleased to announce that several of us have finally cracked the secret code used by our late founder, Vic Stevenson, to identify photos. This should make life easier for museum staff, if not quite so challenging. So, I have turned to a friend for this photo, not taken by him, so probably stolen from a website, of a thing in a field, covered in snow. The one thing I can tell you is that there is not too much of an artillery connection, or is there?



The artefact should appeal to the two non-land-based types who frequent our mess: navy and air force blue chaps and chapettes. This thing touches upon both elements, if you get my drift. Even though the front bit looks like a modernized Heinkel He 111, it isn't; but it is related, in a manner of speaking. The side bits look as if they were taken from a DHC Beaver on steroids, and together it looks like nothing you are likely to

see anywhere in the land of the maple leaf. My informant apologizes for the quality of the photo, but claims that "they" built everything fuzzy, in order to hide their secrets. So, what is it? Let us know by contacting our editor, bob.mugford@outlook.com or the author, John Redmond (johnd._redmond@telusl.net). Tally-ho!

From the 'Punitentary'

What do prisoners use to call each other? Cell phones.

Murphy's Other Laws

Government expands to absorb revenue and then some

Quotable Quotes

There's a world of difference between truth and facts. Facts can obscure the truth. - Maya Angelou



The Naval Officers' Association of British Columbia
Founded 1919

MONTHLY LUNCH PROGRAM

Wednesday February 28th, 2018

Officers Mess Bessborough Armoury 2025 West 11th Avenue Vancouver, BC.

1130 am bar open1200 noon lunch1 pm speaker4 course hot lunch\$20 per person

Dress – Business attire, blazers tie etc

Speaker:-Alan Snowie
"Bi-Planes over Vimy 100 Anniversary &
Bi-Planes Over Canada - Canada 150"

RSVP for lunch numbers please to <u>dreese@telus.net</u> or phone o r text 778-227-8203 by 1600 hrs
Sunday February 25th 2017

15th Field Artillery Regiment RCA &

The 78th Fraser's Highlanders Fund Raiser and Scotch Tasting Night

The 15th Field Artillery Regiment RCA and the 78th Fraser's Highlanders invite you, and any likeminded guests of your acquaintance, to attend our annual fund raising and whisky tasting event at the historic Bessborough Armoury. There will be food, draw prizes, and music. Did we say whisky?

Tickets are \$55.00 per person for those sampling a selection of six excellent Whiskys, or a meager \$25.00 if you are only having beer, wine, or soft drinks from our No-Host Bar. Credit Cards, or Cheques please, to make things easier for Bernie who will be at the door.

Only 50 tickets will be sold for the full whisky fleet!

Dress is business casual. kilts, and highland dress, of course, are welcome.

DATE: Friday – March 2rd, 2018

TIME: 1800 hrs - 2300 hrs

LOCATION: 15th Field Artillery Regiment RCA

2025 West 11th Ave Van, BC V6J 2C7

DO NOT MISS OUT! TO RESERVE YOUR TICKET CONTACT:

Major James Barrett Cell: (604) 916-1766

E-Mail: <u>barrettjd007@gmail.com</u>

All profits will go to support the activities of the 15th Field Regimental Society and the 78th Fraser Highlanders Fort Fraser Garrison. Tax receipts will be issued for all donations upon request.

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Saturday, March 17th, 7:30 p.m.

Christ Church Cathedral

690 Burrard St, Vancouver

Director: Jonathan Quick, Pianist: Karen Lee-Morlang
Celtic Instuments: Tim Fanning

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By phone from 604-878-1190 or from VWMC members

\$30 General, \$40 premium seating.

\$27 Seniors and Students with ID.

BC Regiment Association

invites you to the



St. Patrick's Day Party

Where: BC Regiment Drill Hall

620 Beatty St, Vancouver

When: Sunday March 18, 2018

Time: 13:00hr – 17:00hr

(Meet & Greet 13:00hr,

Lunch 13:45hr)

Cost: \$20 RSVP by March 12

RSVP: Sandra Young 604-543-0368 or

sandymay@shaw.ca

Prize for St. Patrick's Day best dressed Lunch: Irish Stew, Salad, Buns & Dessert

Door prize giveaways

Lucky Draw prize raffles: \$20 arm's length or 3 tickets for \$5

50/50



The Canadian Club of Vancouver celebrates Canada's 150th anniversary.



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The Canadian Club of Vancouver Honours the Order of Canada & Order of British Columbia Recipients with the Governor General of Canada

Raymond Greenwood, President of the Canadian Club of Vancouver and Robert D. Watt, Co-chair of the Order of Canada/Order of British Columbia event cordially invite you to a very special luncheon on Thursday, March 22, 2018 to honour the 2017 Order of Canada and Order of British Columbia recipients. Her Excellency the Right Honourable Julie Payette, Governor General of Canada, will be the keynote speaker.



Established in 1967 by Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II, the Order of Canada is the cornerstone of the Canadian Honours System, and recognizes outstanding achievement, dedication to the community and service to the nation. The Order of British Columbia was established on April 21, 1989, to recognize those persons who have served with the greatest distinction and excelled in any field of endeavour benefiting the people of the Province or elsewhere.

Julie Payette is known for being an astronaut, engineer, scientific broadcaster and corporate director.

From 1992 to 2013, Ms. Payette worked as an astronaut and flew two missions in space. She also served many years as CAPCOM (Capsule Communicator) at NASA's Mission Control Center in Houston, Texas, and was Chief Astronaut for the Canadian Space Agency.

She is well respected for her work in developing policies to promote science and technology. From 2011 to 2013, she worked as a scholar at the Woodrow Wilson International Center for Scholars in Washington, D.C., and was appointed scientific authority for Quebec in the United States. Between July 2013 and October 2016, she served as Chief Operating Officer of the Montréal Science Centre.

Ms. Payette has produced several scientific outreach short programs on Radio-Canada and was a member of McGill University's Faculty of Engineering Advisory Board. She served on the boards of the Montréal Science Centre Foundation, Robotique FIRST Québec, Drug Free Kids Canada, and the Montreal Bach Festival. She was a long-time member of the board of Own The Podium, a granting organization dedicated to high performance sport in Canada, and was recently appointed to the International Olympic Committee Women in Sport Commission. She has served on the Board of Directors of Développement Aéroport Saint-Hubert de Longueuil and of the National Bank of Canada.

A member of the Ordre des ingénieurs du Québec and a fellow of the International Academy of Astronautics, she obtained an International Baccalaureate from the United World College of the Atlantic in the United Kingdom, a Bachelor of Electrical Engineering degree from McGill University and a Master of Applied Science in Computer Engineering degree from the University of Toronto. In addition, Ms. Payette has completed certificate programs in corporate governance and cybersecurity and holds a commercial pilot license.

Ms. Payette has received 27 honorary doctorates, and can converse in six languages. She is an Extraordinary Companion of the Order of Canada, Extraordinary Commander of the Order of Military Merit, Commander of the Order of Merit for Police Forces, head of the Canadian Heraldic Authority and a Knight of the Order national du Québec.

Date

Thursday, March 22 2018

Time

11:30 am to 1:45 pm

Location

Terminal City Club 837 West Hastings Street Vancouver, BC

Rates

Members: \$85.00 (plus GST) Non-members: \$95.00 (plus GST) Table of 8: \$680.00 (plus GST)

Registration Deadline -March 16 at 5:00pm.

To register, visit www.canadianclubvancouver.com or call us at 604 688 8260.

Cancellation notice: For a refund please provide a cancellation notice by 11:45am on the day of registration deadline. No-shows or cancellations received after 11:45am on the day of registration deadline will be billed for the full amount.











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Oress: Mess Kit / Black Tie Tinings: 1900 for 1930 Hours

Tariff: \$100 (Cheques Made Out to the "BCR Officers' Mess")

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Via email to the PMC, Maj Adam McLeod at: adammcleod@gmail.com

Artillery Day 2018



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The

Vancouver Artillery Association

is hosting a

Gun Camp

on

Saturday, 26 May 2018

The intent of the Artillery Day Gun Camp is to deploy artillery detachments in public areas throughout the Lower Mainland of British Columbia where artillery units have had a presence today and in the past.

Do you own artillery ordnance that could be part of this display?

Contact Leon Jensen OMM CD for additional details – president.vcrgunners@gmail.com